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In re: Ulrich DELIUS *et al.*

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For: *INTRINSICALLY STABLE SHIRRED PLASTIC FOOD CASING*

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Pursuant to Rule 56 and Rule 97 *et seq.*, Applicant hereby submits the attached Forms PTO/SB/08A; PTO/SB/08B; and the references listed thereon.

This submission does not represent that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art."

Applicant respectfully requests that each reference be reviewed and made of record in the attached Application.

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Applicant certifies, pursuant to Rule 1.97 (e), each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

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